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MEMORANDUM

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TO: OPP Public Docket

SUBJECT: Meeting with BASF to Discuss Vinclozolin Residue Chemistry Studies

The following document summarizes the meeting held on 04/13/00 between EPA staff and BASF to discuss additional vinclozolin residue studies which may be useful in refining current dietary risk estimates for vinclozolin. This meeting took place during the 30-day period designated for EPA review of the registrant's comments on the risk assessments. This phase occurs prior to the opening of the public docket for vinclozolin.

BASF presented general protocols for several processing and consumer practice studies which may help to; 1) define the ratio of parent to total residues so as to allow the use of available monitoring data and 2) demonstrate a reduction in field trial residue levels which may occur after produce is prepared for consumption. The Agency is currently using field trial data in its dietary risk assessments because the ratio of parent to total residues cannot be undetermined.

The studies specifically included: a lettuce washing study, an onion peeling study, a raspberry washing study, a snap bean washing and trimming study, and a vinification study on imported red and white wine in the EU. During the meeting, the Agency offered some suggestions on study design.

No decisions were made at the meeting. BASF will submit informal study protocols for Agency approval. BASF estimated that the preliminary results of the studies would be available around the end of the year 2000.